

AO 91 (Rev. 11/11) Criminal Complaint

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

United States District Court  
Southern District of Texas  
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for the

Southern District of Texas

AUG 23 2019

United States of America

David J. Bradley, Clerk

v.

Diana VILLARREAL-Rodriguez, YOB: 1989, MX

Aymme FLORES-Torres, YOB: 1997, MX

Pablo PALOMARES-Pacheco, YOB: 1994, MX

Case No. *M-19-1994-M**Defendant(s)*

## CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of August 22, 2019 in the county of Cameron in the  
Southern District of Texas, the defendant(s) violated:*Code Section**Offense Description*

Title 21 U.S.C. Section 841(a)

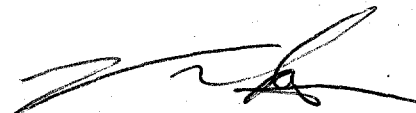
Possession with the intent to distribute 4.4 kilograms of cocaine, a Schedule II Controlled Substance.

Title 21 U.S.C. Section 846

Conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute 4.4 kilograms of cocaine, a Schedule II Controlled Substance.

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

See Attachment A

☒ Continued on the attached sheet.

Complainant's signature

**DEA** Special Agent Victor Chica

Printed name and title

Approved by Amy L. Greenbaum 8/23/19



Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

Date: 08/23/2019 4:33 pm

Judge's signature

City and state: McAllen, Texas

U.S. Magistrate Judge Peter E. Ormsby

Printed name and title

Attachment A

During the month of August 2019, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Special Agent (SA) Victor Chica received information from Border Patrol agents (USBP) indicating Diana VILLARREAL-Rodriguez is a Mexican national who transports narcotics from the Rio Grande Valley area of Texas to northern cities of the United States.

On August 21, 2019, DEA and USBP agents learned that Diana VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and another female named Aymme TORRES-Flores crossed on foot into Brownsville, Texas through the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Brownsville & Matamoros Port of Entry. DEA and USBP agents established surveillance at the Port of Entry and followed Diana VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and Aymme TORRES-Flores. During surveillance, agents observed VILLARREAL-Rodriguez driving a Cadillac CTS sedan bearing Texas license plate JXX6190 in the Brownsville area (TORRES-Flores was the passenger). At nighttime, VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores went to Motel 6 located at 2255 North Expressway, Brownsville, Texas, and spent the night.

On August 22, 2019, agents continued surveillance on VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores. During the morning hours, VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores checked out of the Motel 6 and left the premises in the Cadillac sedan (VILLARREAL-Rodriguez drove the vehicle). Several hours later, VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores traveled to a Walmart located at 3500 W Alton Gloor, Brownsville, Texas, and VILLARREAL-Rodriguez parked next to a tan Honda Pilot bearing Texas license plate LXL4619. VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores then met with a male later identified as Pablo PALOMARES-Pacheco and walked inside the Walmart. In the afternoon hours, VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores entered the Honda Pilot, VILLARREAL-Rodriguez being the driver, and PALOMARES-Pacheco entered the Cadillac sedan. Subsequently, both vehicles drove away from the Walmart traveling in tandem.

Several minutes later, officers from the Brownsville Police Department (BPD) conducted traffic stops on both vehicles for traffic infractions. During the traffic stop, BPD Officer Marco Huerta deployed a K-9 and conducted an open air sniff of the Honda Pilot driven by VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and received a positive alert for the presence of narcotics. BPD Officer David Schaelchlin deployed a K-9 and conducted an open air sniff of the Cadillac sedan driven by PALOMARES-Pacheco and received a positive alert for the presence of narcotics.

VILLARREAL-Rodriguez, TORRES-Flores, and PALOMARES-Pacheco consented to go to the BPD station for an interview. The Honda SUV and the Cadillac sedan were transported to a BPD facility for further inspection. During a search of the Honda SUV, agents found an aftermarket compartment under the rear passenger seats which contained four (4) bundles that field tested positive for cocaine. The total weight of the suspected cocaine is 4.4 kilograms.

BPD investigators read VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores Miranda Rights in the Spanish language; VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores stated they understood her rights and agreed to speak to the investigators. During separate interviews, VILLARREAL-Rodriguez and TORRES-Flores admitted they crossed into the United States to transport narcotics for monetary gain.

BPD investigators read PALOMARES-Pacheco his Miranda Rights in the Spanish language. PALOMARES-Pacheco stated he understood his rights and agreed to speak to the investigators. PALOMARES-Pacheco stated he crossed from Mexico into the United States with the intent to load the Honda SUV and the Cadillac sedan with kilograms of cocaine.